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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: James Hardwick, et al.

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For: METHOD AND BIOMARKERS FOR DETECTING

TUMOR ENDOTHELIAL CELL PROLIFERATION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.143

Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding Office Action mailed December 30, 2009 in the above-identified application, having a ONE (1) month period for response which expires January 30, 2010. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the following provisional election.

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